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DEPT FOR USUN/W-SCHEFFER, AF-MOOSE, IO/UNP-SNYDER
 AND STANTON; WHITEHOUSE PLS PASS NSC FOR STEINBERG AND
 RICE

E.0.12356: DECL:OADR
 TAGS: PREL, PREF, UNSC, PHUM, RW, BU, CG, TZ, UG, ZA
 SUBJECT: RESOLUTION ON DETENTION OF RWANDAN WAR
 CRIMINALS

REF: (A) SECSTATE 37437 (B) USUN NY410 (C) STATE 25818

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1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.

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2. SC WORKING GROUP MET PM 2/13 TO DISCUSS DETENTION ISSUE. GROUP HAD BEFORE IT US DRAFT RES AND FRENCH DRAFT PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT. [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] RWANDA WHICH HAD TOLD US ON FRIDAY 2/10 THAT THEY SUPPORTED US DRAFT AND WERE READY TO CO-SPONSOR INFORMALLY CIRCULATED A DRAFT PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT WHICH WAS A MILD VARIANT ON FRENCH TEXT. NIGERIA DEMONSTRATED ITS SUPPORT FOR US DRAFT BY SAYING MATTER WAS COMPLEX AND SHOULD NOT BE RUSHED.

3. FRENCH, RUSSIANS, CHINESE, AND GERMANS ARGUED FOR PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT. ITALY, UK AND ARGENTINA ARGUED THEY COULD ACCEPT EITHER PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT OR RESOLUTION. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] DISCUSSION WHICH WENT IN CIRCLES UNTIL US WITH SOME HELP FROM UK WAS ABLE TO INSIST ON POINT BY POINT DISCUSSION OF ISSUES AS CONTAINED IN US DRAFT.

4. IN POINT BY POINT DISCUSSION US WAS ALONE IN INSISTING ON "CALLS UPON" OR "AUTHORIZES" VICE "URGES" IN OP PARAS 1 AND 3. US WAS SIMILARLY ISOLATED IN OBJECTING TO INSERTION IN PARA 1 OF PHRASE "IN ACCORDANCE WITH NATIONAL LAW." FRENCH INSISTENCE TO INSERT "REQUEST STATES TO ADOPT LEGISLATION" AS PRECONDITION TO URGING DETENTION WAS LESS WIDELY SUPPORTED BUT CLEARLY OPPOSED BY ONLY THE US.

5. FRENCH OBJECTION TO APPLYING OP PARAS 5 AND 6 RE CONFIDENTIAL

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REPORTING TO SYG AND A ROLE FOR ICRC TO OP PARA 3 WAS SUPPORTED BY CHINA AND OPPOSED ONLY BY US.

6. AT END OF RELATIVELY HEATED MEETING OF WKG GROUP CHAIR SUGGESTED GROUP MEET AGAIN ON FRIDAY FEB 17. US URGED CHAIR SCHEDULE FURTHER MEETING 2/14 OR 2/15 SINCE MATTER WAS URGENT. CHAIR SAID HE WOULD SEE WHAT HE COULD DO. HE ANNOUNCED ON 2/14 THAT WKG GROUP WOULD MEET 2/16 AND IF NECESSARY 2/17. COMMENT: THERE IS NO SUPPORT FOR LANGUAGE STRONGER THAN "URGES" IN OP PARAS 1

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AND 3. THERE IS NO OPPOSITION SAVE US IN OPPOSING
INTRODUCTION OF "IN ACCORDANCE WITH NATIONAL LAW." IT
REMAINS POSSIBLE WE CAN OBTAIN SUFFICIENT SUPPORT FOR A
RESOLUTION WHICH REFLECTS THESE FACTS IF WE CAN
SUFFICIENTLY EDUCATE AND ENERGIZE THE AFRICANS. IF
LATTER CONDITION NOT MET, PRESIDENTIAL STATEMENT ALONG
FRENCH LINES WITH A FEW IMPROVEMENTS IS BEST THAT CAN BE
OBTAINED. DEPT'S VIEWS REQUESTED.

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